

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DURING FEBRUARY.

During the month of February the weather was cold and stormy with heavy winds, which greatly interfered with fishing operations. The weather on Georges Bank, where the steamers were mostly fishing, was not so severe as on the shore grounds and to the eastward. The steamers fishing on that bank landed most of the fish. Sailing vessels, owing to the bad weather, had poor success. The gill netters landed small catches of ground fish, and operations on the shore grounds were very light. Four vessels of the herring fleet are still held in the ice at Bay of Islands, Newfoundland, with no chance of release until the latter part of April.

NOTE.—The weights of fresh and salted fish given in these statistics represent the fish as landed from the vessels, and the values are those received by the fishermen. The grades, or sizes, given for certain species are those recognized in the trade.

BUREAU OF FISHERIES, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

HUGH M. SMITH, Commissioner.

The Fishing Fleet of Boston, Gloucester, and Portland, February, 1920.

No. of vessels.

Market fishery 72
Shore fishery 83

Total 155

STATEMENT of Quantities and Values of certain Fishery Products landed at Boston and Gloucester, Mass., and Portland, Me., by American and Canadian Fishing Vessels during the month of February, 1920.

FISHING GROUNDS.	NO. OF TRIPS.	COD.						HADDOCK.				HAKE.				POLLOCK.		CUSK.		HALIBUT.		MISCELLANEOUS.		TOTAL.	
		LARGE (10 POUNDS AND OVER).		MARKET (UNDER 10 AND OVER 2½ POUNDS).		SCROD (1 TO 2½ POUNDS).		LARGE (OVER 2½ POUNDS).		SCROD (1 TO 2½ POUNDS).		LARGE (6 POUNDS AND OVER).		SMALL (UNDER 6 POUNDS).		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.	
		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.	
		Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
LANDED AT BOSTON.																									
East of 66° W. longitude.																									
<i>By American vessels.</i>																									
Western Bank	1	3,400	\$340	3,500	\$175													16,000	\$3,680			22,900	\$4,195		
St. Peters Bank	1	3,100	186					700	\$42									25,000	5,000			28,800	5,228		
West of 66° W. longitude.																									
<i>By American vessels.</i>																									
Georges Bank	105	2,012,793	159,512	508,165	26,743	2,275	\$62	5,826,060	286,987			185	\$17	15,340	\$1,242	15,620	\$775	41,263	10,691	28,406	\$2,173	8,450,107	488,202		
Middle Bank	6	4,950	491	4,460	325	370	11	33,825	2,209			1,260	139	4,525	\$370	710	71	1,250	74	134	20	10,526	797	62,010	4,507
Jeffreys Ledge	5	3,678	355	3,525	230	390	14	84,935	6,166			1,215	122	3,640	353	1,240	138	4,350	249	68	17	4,040	220	107,081	7,864
Off Chatham	8	12,990	932	10,115	557	3,080	65	114,010	6,692			9,055	973	1,190	102	1,195	113	5,850	427	648	89	7,520	531	165,653	10,481
Shore, general	68	23,189	2,047	14,067	1,090	280	8	134,216	6,767			44	3	60	3	800	88	230	18	300	75	327,255	17,348	500,441	27,447
<i>By Canadian vessels.</i>																									
Georges Bank	1	11,500	935	3,500	120	500	10	21,000	938					575	40			300	62			37,375	2,105		
TOTAL	195	2,075,600	164,798	547,332	29,240	6,895	170	6,214,746	309,801			11,759	1,254	9,415	828	19,860	1,692	27,300	1,543	83,713	19,634	377,747	21,069	9,374,367	550,029
LANDED AT GLOUCESTER.																									
East of 66° W. longitude.																									
<i>By American vessels.</i>																									
Western Bank	1	11,400	371	4,440	122							945	14					770	20	23,300	4,157			40,855	4,684
West of 66° W. longitude.																									
<i>By American vessels.</i>																									
Georges Bank	3	21,560	859	3,125	109			114,500	4,382					885	27			70	16	140	11	140,280	5,404		
Shore, general	108	121,340	9,482	560	28	85	2	121,175	9,674			9,140	1,012			36,895	3,622	125	3			36,160	2,099	325,480	25,922
TOTAL	112	154,300	10,712	8,125	259	85	2	235,675	14,056			10,085	1,026			37,780	3,649	895	23	23,370	4,173	36,300	2,110	506,615	36,010
LANDED AT PORTLAND.																									
East of 66° W. longitude.																									
<i>By American vessels.</i>																									
Western Bank	2	8,290	328	3,600	121									300	11			125	4	52,872	10,449			65,187	10,913
West of 66° W. longitude.																									
<i>By American vessels.</i>																									
Georges Bank	1	31,300	2,504	2,785	223			26,240	1,640											783	187	2,125	60	63,233	4,614
Jeffreys Ledge	15	6,365	565	6,385	491	1,370	43	101,078	8,942	6,105	\$258	1,920	203	21,175	1,581	2,771	208	8,897	646	336	73	9,426	448	165,828	13,458
Shore, general	41	18,780	1,662	9,147	797	3,529	127	10,217	885	60	2	353	35	2,952	163	352	21	3,915	348	7	1	4,538	160	53,850	4,201
TOTAL	59	64,735	5,059	21,917	1,632	4,899	170	137,535	11,467	6,165	260	2,273	238	24,427	1,755	3,123	229	12,937	998	53,998	10,710	16,089	668	348,098	33,186
GRAND TOTAL	366	2,294,635	180,569	577,374	31,131	11,879	342	6,587,956	335,324	6,165	260	24,117	2,518	33,842	2,583	60,763	5,570	41,132	2,564	161,081	34,517	430,136	23,847	10,229,080	619,225

The items under "Miscellaneous" include flounders, 370,679 pounds, value \$20,728; rosefish, 18,137 pounds, value \$649; sharks, 700 pounds, value \$35; skates, 555 pounds, value \$11; sturgeon, 157 pounds, value \$26; wolffish, 5,894 pounds, value \$192; livers, 14,925 pounds, value \$550; sounds, 33 pounds, value \$2; and spawn, 19,056 pounds, value \$1,654.

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STATEMENT OF QUANTITIES AND VALUES OF CERTAIN FISHERY PRODUCTS LANDED AT SEATTLE, WASH., BY AMERICAN FISHING VESSELS DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1920

FISHING GROUNDS.	NUMBER OF TRIPS.	HALIBUT.		SABLEFISH.		"LINGCOD."		ROCKFISHES.		TOTAL.	
		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.		FRESH.	
		Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.	Pounds.	Value.
Flattery Banks.....	9	97,900	\$14,785	3,500	\$175	10,000	\$500	111,400	\$15,460
West Coast, Vancouver Island.....	12	251,000	32,885	5,000	250	7,000	340	2,000	\$400	265,000	33,875
Queen Charlotte Islands Grounds.....	7	215,000	27,740	23,000	1,130	8,000	300	6,000	180	252,000	29,350
Total.....	28	563,900	75,410	31,500	1,555	25,000	1,140	8,000	580	628,400	78,685

FISHERY PRODUCTS TAKEN IN PUGET SOUND AND LANDED AT SEATTLE, WASH., BY COLLECTING VESSELS IN FEBRUARY, 1920

SPECIES.	Pounds.	Value.
Herring.....	144,000	\$1,440
Smelt.....	56,000	1,960
Rockfishes.....	16,600	1,162
"Lingcod".....	12,000	720
Sole.....	28,000	700
Crabs.....	* 48,000	3,491
Total.....	304,600	9,473

* 2,182 dozen.